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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Agency Cold War Contingency Air Requirements

REFERENCE : DPD-7025-60, dated 19 September 1960

1. A meeting was held 11 October 1960 in Captain Spore's office to discuss referenced paper.

2. Present at the meeting were Colonel Prouty, Major Czapar and Captain Spore representing the Department of Defense and the Air Force; Colonel Beerli, [REDACTED] representing the DD/P.

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3. After a lecture by Colonel Prouty on how to establish a force in being, Colonel Beerli explained that the cost to maintain all the various types of possible task units that might be required in an active status would be prohibitive cost-wise. It was pointed out that had our hopes been pinned on the AD-5, and the money expended that this would have been for nought ref the Cuba operation. It was explained that each contingency will probably have its particular peculiarities or restrictions and no one force in being would guarantee the flexibility to utilize it on a world-wide basis.

4. It was pointed out that the purpose of our referenced paper was to alert DOD to the fact that we would require a mechanism or ad hoc group to help decide what was available in the DOD stockpile that could be used in the contingency at hand. All we were requesting was DOD concurrence that this could be accomplished.

5. As far as training etc. the Agency would be responsible to insure the lead time was included to meet the desired operational readiness date.

6. The position taken by Colonel Prouty precluded any satisfactory conclusion from this meeting. Colonel Beerli, in concluding the meeting, emphasized that the Agency would expect a reply to the reference memorandum.

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